

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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President Wilson appears to be in no hurry about making Federal appointments. He is waiting until the tariff bill becomes a law.

Mr. John T. Pullen, of Raleigh, died Friday morning, after a very brief illness. Mr. Pullen will be greatly missed in his home town as well as throughout the State. He was ever ready to render suffering humanity aid.

The expenditure among the States of \$500,000 for road construction has been finally agreed upon and North Carolina will receive \$40,000 for this experimental and demonstration work. Governor Craig will select the road to be constructed.

Brinkleyville News.

Brinkleyville, May 1, 1913.—The closing exercises of Miss Lizzie Roberson's school on last Friday night was a splendid success. All of the children acquitted themselves most creditably showing close application to their studies and faithful and efficient performance of duties on part of the teacher. Mr. George Bennett was master of ceremonies, and performed faithfully the duty assigned him. A most pleasing feature of the occasion was the music furnished by the Mohorn string band. These are not trained (scientific) musicians but for native ability cannot be surpassed in all the state.

The death of Rev. Paul Bowers which took place at Rex Hospital last Friday has cast a gloom over this whole community. That one so good, open, and so universally beloved, and in the prime of a splendid manhood, and in the midst of his usefulness should be stricken down "ere it was noon" bewilders us, and with one of old we say, "His ways are past finding out." We bow in humble submission to him who makes no mistakes, and commend the sorrowing loved ones to Him, who alone is able to comfort and help. He was buried in the old family burying ground by his loved pastor, Rev. Walter Bobbitt in the presence of an immense gathering of friends and relatives. A worthy pen will portray the virtues, the life and labors of this servant of the most high.

Miss Daisy Smith and Mr. Frank Shearin were married on the 30th of April, Rev. J. E. Pritchard performing the ceremony. Mr. Shearin is a highly respected, honorable and well to do farmer living near Littleton and is to be congratulated upon his good fortune in the prize he has won. May heavens blessings attend them.

Shot by Unknown Assassin.

Weldon, May 6.—Thomas Shaw, a well known farmer and merchant, who lived about six miles from Weldon, was shot down on the front porch of his residence, by an unknown assassin and killed Saturday night.

Mr. Shaw had just closed his store for the night and as he stepped up on the porch of his residence the man confronted him with a shot gun, demanding his money and then shot him dead in his tracks. He then made a grab for Mr. Shaw's money, but in mounting a wheel to escape he dropped the roll of bills.

Ringwood Items.

Ringwood, May 6.—Mrs. C. O. Fleming continues quite ill. She has been very ill for two weeks. Her friends are hoping she will soon recover.

It is very dry in this section now, and farmers are holding back setting tobacco on account of the long drought.

Mr. M. E. Cousins is having his house repaired.

Misses Julia and Willie Williams, teachers of the Ringwood school, will give an ice cream supper at the school building tonight.

Miss Jane Weller, who has been visiting Mrs. E. V. Neville for several weeks, has returned home.

THE COUNTY COMMENCEMENT.

The Session Was Held at Weldon on Friday, May 2, 1913.

The first Halifax County Commencement was held at Weldon last Friday. It was an ideal day and the teachers and schools as well as their parents and friends of education were there from every section of the county. The crowd was variously estimated at from twelve to sixteen hundred.

The exercises were opened in the Weldon graded school auditorium with Dr. A. S. Harrison, county superintendent, master of ceremonies. The first on the program was the invocation by Rev. J. A. Hornaday, pastor of the Methodist church of Weldon. Then came the school songs, "Ho, for Carolina," and one by the Enfield school children. Hon. W. E. Daniel delivered the address of welcome, and did it in his usual happy way.

The declamatory contest was the next on the program, and consisted of pupils from the seventh grade. Those entering the contest were: Miss Cora Parker, Roy Owen, Miss Alice Patterson, Luther Purrington and Spooner Hull. The prize was \$2.50 given by Mr. G. C. Green, and won by Roy Owen.

The debate came next, and this created possibly more interest than anything else. The question for debate was, "Resolved, that authors have done more than orators for the advancement of civilization." Those entitled to enter this debate were pupils from the seventh grade. The prize was a gold medal given by Mr. Ashby Dunn. Those entering the debate were: Negative, Miss Mary Bennett, Miss Pope and Chas. Allen; affirmative, Miss Stelma White, Miss Fannie Sherrod, Mr. Boseman and Miss Mary Riddick.

After the debaters had finished speaking the judges, who were W. E. Daniel, Rev. J. A. Hornaday and Rev. Mr. Blabock, rendered their decision, saying that the negative won the argument and that Chas. Allen, who spoke to the negative side, was entitled to the medal, and Rev. Mr. Whitaker, of the Enfield school, delivered the same to the winner.

Superintendent Harrison then read out a list of sixty names of boys and girls that had passed the county examination and were awarded diplomas. It was an inspiring sight to see these bright boys and girls take their places on the stage and receive their diplomas which entitled them to enter any high school of the county without examination.

Superintendent Harrison offered a prize of \$2.50 to the pupils making the highest average, and these were won by May Bennett and Annie Hawkins.

The committee on school exhibits made their report and awarded prizes as follows:

- (a) Best Original Paper—Agnes Stainback.
- (b) Best Map Drawing—Doris Tillery.
- (c) Best Individual Drawing—Bessie Pittman.
- (d) Neatest Copy Book—Margaret Foster.

Lunch was then served on the school grounds. After this the parade of all the schools present, each with its banner, led by their teachers, music being furnished by the Suffolk brass band. There were between seven and eight hundred children in the parade, and it was a pretty sight to behold. The parade wound up at the athletic park where the outdoor exercises took place.

The 50-yard dash was won by Donald Daniel and Lehman Garner.

The 100-yard dash was won by Donald Daniel and Seba Whitehead.

The standing broad jump won by Allen Andleton.

The three-jump broad jump won by Allen Andleton and Donald Daniel.

Three legged race won by Chas. Taylor and Dot Moseley.

The sack race, 75 yards, won by Chas. Allen.

The prize for the best all round athlete was awarded to Donald Daniel.

The afternoon exercises were concluded with a game of ball between Weldon and Scotland Neck. The score was 12 to 10 in favor of Weldon.

It was a great day for the public school interests of Halifax county, and we are glad to know that these county commencements are to be a permanent part of the public school work.

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PROGRAMME.

Music Recital at the School Auditorium May 9, 1913.

1. Silvery Waves—Wagner—Laura White.
2. Rondo (6 hands)—Streabog—Doris Tillery, Frances White, Katherine Shields.
3. Sun Flower Dance—Macelymont—Emily Edwards.
4. Do Re Mi Fa Waltz (6 hands)—Streabog—Gertie Dunn, Ethel Madry, Gertie McDowell.
5. L'Avalanche—Heller—Katherine Shields.
6. March Triumphant (12 hands)—Gobbaerts—Bertha Albertson, Emily Edwards, Sue Dunn, Mary Tillery, Mary Hyman, Alice Hardy.
7. Meditation—Morrison—Bertha Albertson.
8. Dorothy—Old English Dance—Seymour Smith—Beth Moore.
9. Palms-Fanre—Seybach—Janet White.
10. Vocal Selection—Dorothy Dunn.
11. Frolic of The Butterflies—Bohm—Virginia Tillery.
12. Keepsake Gavotte (8 hands)—Petrie—Bertha Albertson, Emily Edwards, Evelyn Kitchin, Mary Hyman.
13. Chausau Marguerite—Juliere—Mary Tillery.
14. Chorus, The Maypole—Warner.
15. A Flitting Fancy—Mrs. W. R. Bond—Helen White.
16. March Romaine (8 hands)—Gounod—Lydia Josey, Laura White, Gertrude Kitchin, John Josey.
17. To a Wild Rose—McDowell—Alice Tillery, Hilda Hancock.
18. La Vivandier Mazurka—Holling—Irene Whitehead.
19. Chorus, Who Knows What the Bells say—Henry Parker.
20. Pensionals-Frenden (12 hands)—Kramer—John Josey, Mary Pittman, Irene Whitehead, Janet White, Evelyn Kitchin, Bertha Albertson.
21. Polonaise in A Major—Chopin—John Josey.
22. Spring Song (8 hands)—Mendelssohn—Virginia Tillery, Alice Tillery, Missoura Purvis, Irene Whitehead.
23. Comrades in Arms, March-Gallop (8 hands)—Clyton Hayes—Hilda Hancock, John Josey, Alice Tillery, Virginia Tillery.
24. Chorus, Hunter's Horn—Fearis.

Jesse Dymun Vaughan.

The subject of this sketch was born in Northampton county, March 29, 1852, and so was a little over sixty one years old when he died last Sunday.

When eighteen years old he married Miss Virginia Draper of his native county. From this union there were born seven children, four of whom are now living. In the year 1888 Mrs. Vaughan died, and sometime during the next year he married Miss Lillie Glover, who with seven children survive him.

On January 1, 1892 Mr. Vaughan moved to Scotland Neck and has lived here ever since. He was a quiet, honest, hardworking man, a good neighbor and citizen. Several of his friends have been heard to remark that he will be greatly missed by them as well as by his family.

In early life he made a profession of religion and joined the Methodist church.

He was buried in the Baptist cemetery, his pastor, Rev. N. C. Yearby, conducting the services.

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Special Dog Ordinance.

The following resolution was passed by the board of commissioners: It shall be unlawful for any person to let his or her dog run at large on the streets of Scotland Neck without being muzzled.

Any one violating this ordinance shall be fined two dollars for each and every offence.

A. L. PURRINGTON, Clerk.



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Sale of Land for Taxes.

I shall sell to the highest bidder at the court house door in Halifax on Monday, June 2, 1913, for taxes and cost in Halifax county, N. C., for the year 1912, the following parcels or tracts of land:

Scotland Neck Township—White.	
C. H. Bell, 1 town lot, hotel	\$32.58
Mrs. E. M. Dickens, 1 town lot, Scotland Neck	5.38
Miss Donnie Dickens, 1 town lot, Scotland Neck	3.27
Mrs. Nora Harris, 1 town lot, Scotland Neck	7.50
Mrs. D. M. Prince Estate, 1 town lot, Scotland Neck	7.92
Colored.	
H. H. Arrington, 2 town-lots Scotland Neck	16.52
Andrew Baker, 3 acres land	5.38
Melissa Hail, 1 acre land	1.55
T. J. Johnson, 1 town lot Scotland Neck	3.68
James I. James, 1 town lot Scotland Neck	6.95
Henry Pitt, 9 acres land	3.20
Clara Pitt, 8 acres land	1.55
David Smith, 4 acres land	1.55
Joe Smith, 1 town lot Scotland Neck	5.25
Louisa Wilson, 1 acre land	1.13
Margaret Williams, 1 acre	1.54
David White, 4 acres land	3.25
Conoconara Township—Colored.	
Bulluck Starling, 75 acres	11.28
Davis, Jerry, 2 acres land	1.77
Davis, Ed., 2 town lots Tillery	4.30
Gaskins, Dave, 1 town lot Tillery	2.40
Person, Anthony, 8 1/2 acres Tillery	10.30
Tillery, Gee, 1 acre, residence Tillery	4.74
J. E. SHIELDS, Tax Col. for Scotland Neck and Conoconara Townships.	

\$250.00 Reward.

The county commissioners of Halifax county, N. C., at their regular meeting Monday, offered a reward of \$250.00 for the capture and delivery to the sheriff of Halifax county the unknown murderer of Thomas Shaw, of near Roanoke Rapids, on Saturday night, May 3, 1913.

By order of the board of county commissioners.

W. R. HARVEY, Chairman.
J. H. NORMAN, Clerk.
May 5, 1913.



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